

IC 12-14-29

Chapter 29. Assistance for Reentry Court Program Participants

IC 12-14-29-1

"Reentry court program"

Sec. 1. "Reentry court program", for purposes of this chapter, refers to a program that meets the following requirements:

- (1) A circuit or superior court has established and administers the program.
- (2) The program is designed to supervise and provide services to an individual who was previously incarcerated by the department of correction in an adult correctional facility.
- (3) The goal of the program is to increase the likelihood that the individual will:
 - (A) become self-sufficient; and
 - (B) not commit additional crimes.
- (4) The program provides intensive supervision, which may include twenty-four (24) hour electronic monitoring supervision of the individual.
- (5) The program provides regular and direct judicial intervention that is supported and advised by a transition team that consists of at least the following:
 - (A) A professional from a community corrections program.
 - (B) A professional from a victim assistance program.
 - (C) A professional from the treatment community.
 - (D) An employment trainer.
 - (E) A community volunteer.

As added by P.L.92-2005, SEC.3.

IC 12-14-29-2

Eligibility for food stamps

Sec. 2. Under this chapter, an individual is eligible for food stamps if the individual meets all the following requirements:

- (1) The individual is a resident of a county having a reentry court program.
- (2) The individual was convicted of an offense under IC 35-48 (controlled substances) for conduct occurring after August 22, 1996.
- (3) Except for 21 U.S.C. 862a(a), the individual meets the federal and Indiana food stamp program requirements.
- (4) The individual is successfully participating in a reentry court program.

As added by P.L.92-2005, SEC.3.

IC 12-14-29-3

Eligibility for TANF program

Sec. 3. Under this chapter, an individual is eligible for the TANF program if the individual meets all the following requirements:

- (1) The individual is a resident of a county having a reentry court program.

(2) The individual was convicted of an offense under IC 35-48 (controlled substances) for conduct occurring after August 22, 1996.

(3) Except for 21 U.S.C. 862a(a), the individual meets the federal and Indiana TANF program requirements.

(4) The individual is successfully participating in a reentry court program.

As added by P.L.92-2005, SEC.3.

IC 12-14-29-4

State election to opt out

Sec. 4. In accordance with 21 U.S.C. 862a(d)(1), the state elects to opt out of the application of 21 U.S.C. 862a(a) for individuals participating in a reentry court program.

As added by P.L.92-2005, SEC.3.

IC 12-14-29-5

12 month limitation for receipt of food stamps and TANF

Sec. 5. (a) If referred by a court, an individual who meets the requirements of section 2 of this chapter may receive food stamps for not more than twelve (12) months.

(b) If referred by a court, an individual who meets the requirements of section 3 of this chapter may receive TANF benefits for not more than twelve (12) months.

As added by P.L.92-2005, SEC.3.

IC 12-14-29-6

Modification or revocation of court order

Sec. 6. A court may modify or revoke an order issued under this chapter concerning a food stamp eligible individual or a TANF eligible individual at any time.

As added by P.L.92-2005, SEC.3.

IC 12-14-29-7

Court notification to county office

Sec. 7. A court shall immediately notify the county office of family and children:

(1) upon the court's finding of probable cause that an individual has committed a felony offense during the period in which the individual is eligible for TANF or food stamps; or

(2) when an individual has been terminated from a reentry court program during the period in which the individual is eligible for TANF or food stamps.

As added by P.L.92-2005, SEC.3.